

Library Advisory Board  
Landscaping Committee  
February 28, 2013 meeting  
Library Study Room

In Attendance: Angie Otteson, Tamara Fletcher, Naomi Klouda, Kyra Wagner, Sara Conyers (VISTA Volunteer), and guest speaker Rosemary Fitzpatrick. Ann Dixon joined during the meeting wrap-up.

The meeting agenda consisted solely of a discussion with Master Gardner Rosemary Fitzpatrick. After reviewing the Long Range Plan she had some suggestions:

- 1) Prioritize the areas:
  - a. North Meadow
  - b. The Courtyard Garden
  - c. The Margaret Pate Garden
- 2) Strategically plant large trees and develop mass plantings to help with the scale of the building
- 3) Potential volunteer pools:
  - a. Pratt Museum gardener
  - b. Master Gardeners (Cooperative Extension Agent has list)
  - c. Girl Scout and/or Boy Scout Troops
  - d. Place signs throughout the gardens soliciting help
- 4) Mow or weed whip the parking lot side of the People's Garden Trail

A suggestion of holding a Rose Drive in lieu of the War On Weeds was discussed. The donated roses would then be planted in the North Meadow as part of the mass planting goal. The iris setosa currently located in the North Meadow should be moved to the drainage pond perimeter. The raised beds on the south side of the building are too small and should be converted to mass plantings to mitigate the scale of the building.

Spruce trees should be planted in Area 10 (strip between parking lot and Hazel Ave.) to hasten crowding out the Reed Canarygrass. The committee will consider the suggestion of planting trees on the south lawn, blocking the winter sun in the building is a concern.

Memorial plant locations were discussed and the committee decided the best location to be along the concrete border to the Courtyard.

This committee will next meet March 28, 2013 at Noon in the Library Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.